



Overview of EmeraChem: Progress on NOx Absorber Sulfur Tolerance and ORNL Activities to Advance Development

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Achieving Diesel Product Status with NOx Absorber

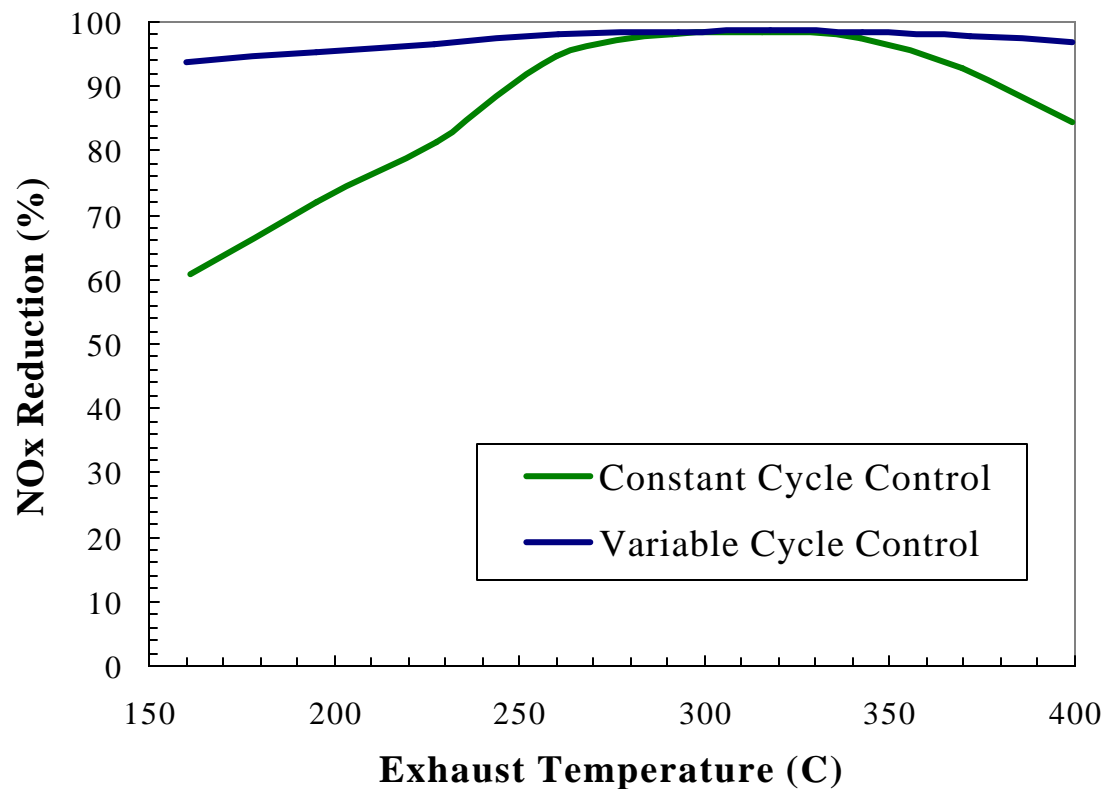
- NOx Absorber Technology is Clean Enough for NOx Emission Regulations
 - <0.2 g/bhp-hr NOx Emissions Demonstrated on 6.9 g/bhp-hr NOx Engine
- Durability is Main Criteria to be Demonstrated
 - Heavy-Duty Regulation Calls for 435,000 Mile Durability
- Most Significant Durability Issue for NOx Absorbers
 - Sulfur Masking of NOx Storage Sites

Key Attributes of EmeraChem NO_x Absorber

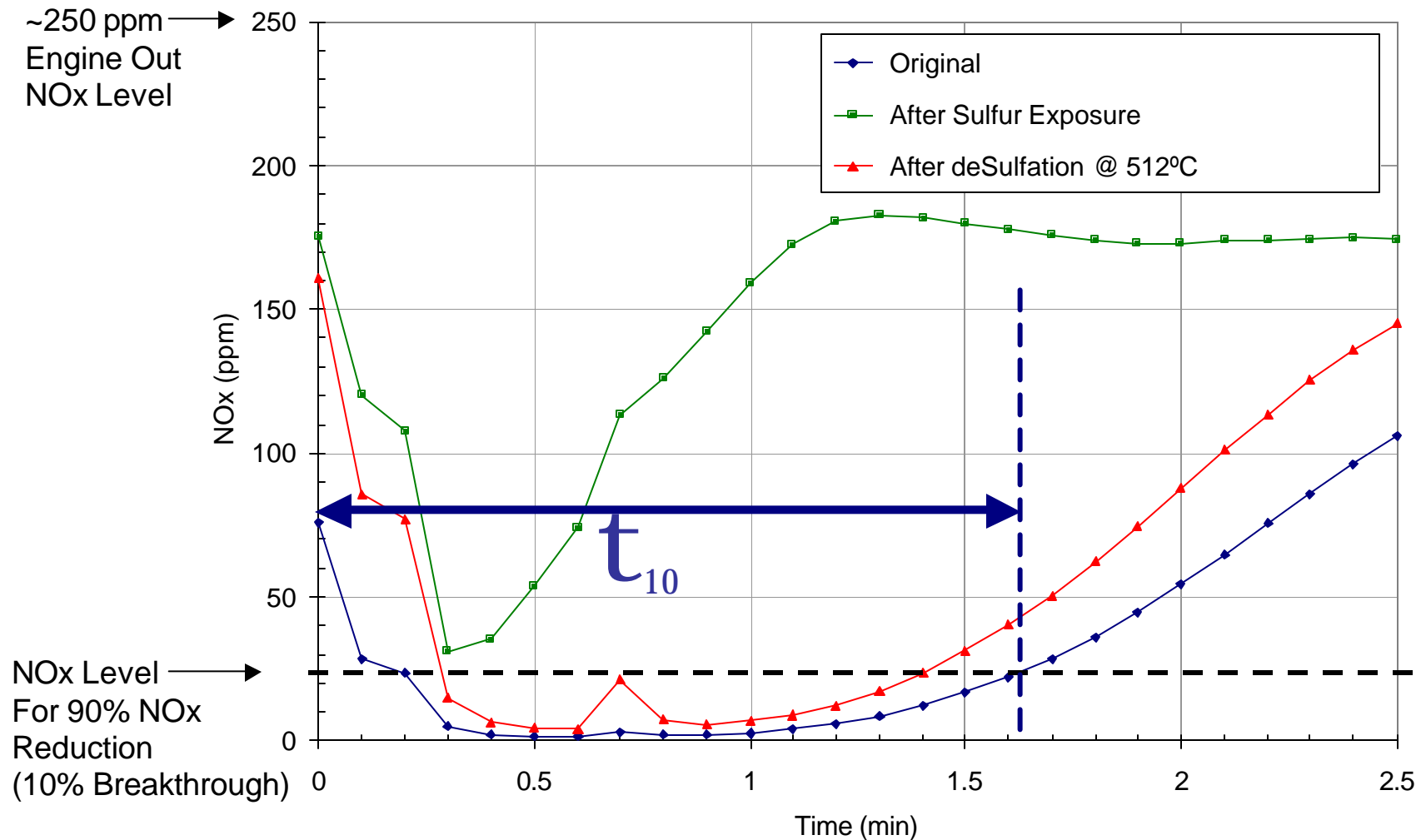
- High NO_x Reduction Efficiencies Over a Broad Range of Temperatures Well Suited to Diesel Engine
 - Can Use Diesel Fuel for Catalyst Reductant
- deSulfation at Relatively Low Temperatures (<550°C)
 - Minimizes Thermal Degradation Occuring During deSulfation
 - Lowers Fuel Penalty for deSulfation
 - Reduces Complications Associated with deSulfation

NOx Absorber Performance for Diesel Exhaust

- Data Obtained on **11.9 g/bhp-hr NOx Engine** with **Diesel Fuel Reductant**
- Constant Cycle Control Data Represents Catalyst Capacity
- Variable Cycle Control Data Represents Engineered Performance
- Fuel Penalties for Constant Cycle and Variable Cycle Data were Similar
 - 3.6% and 3.8%, respectively

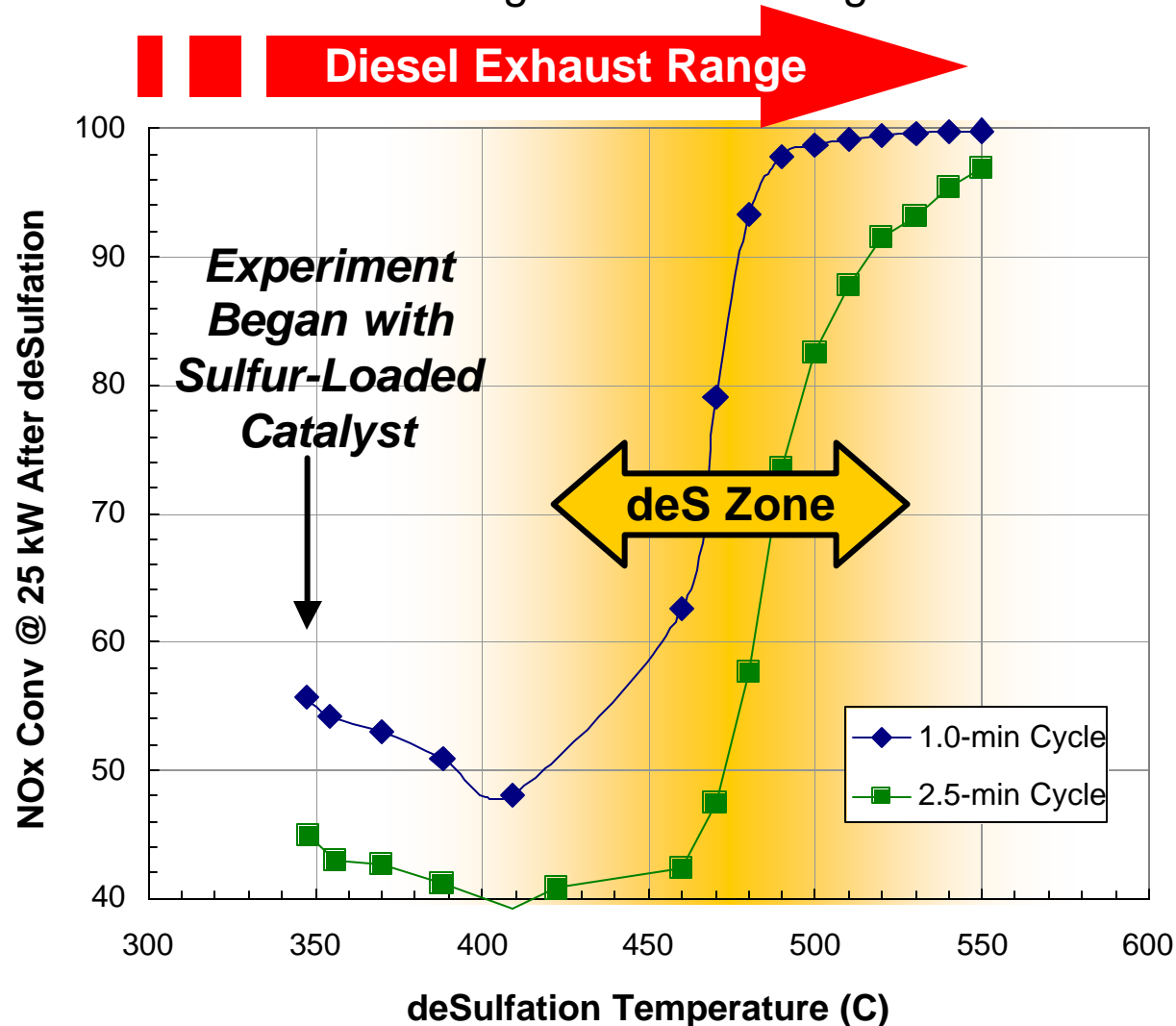


deSulfation Recovery of NOx Capacity: NOx Profiles and Terminology



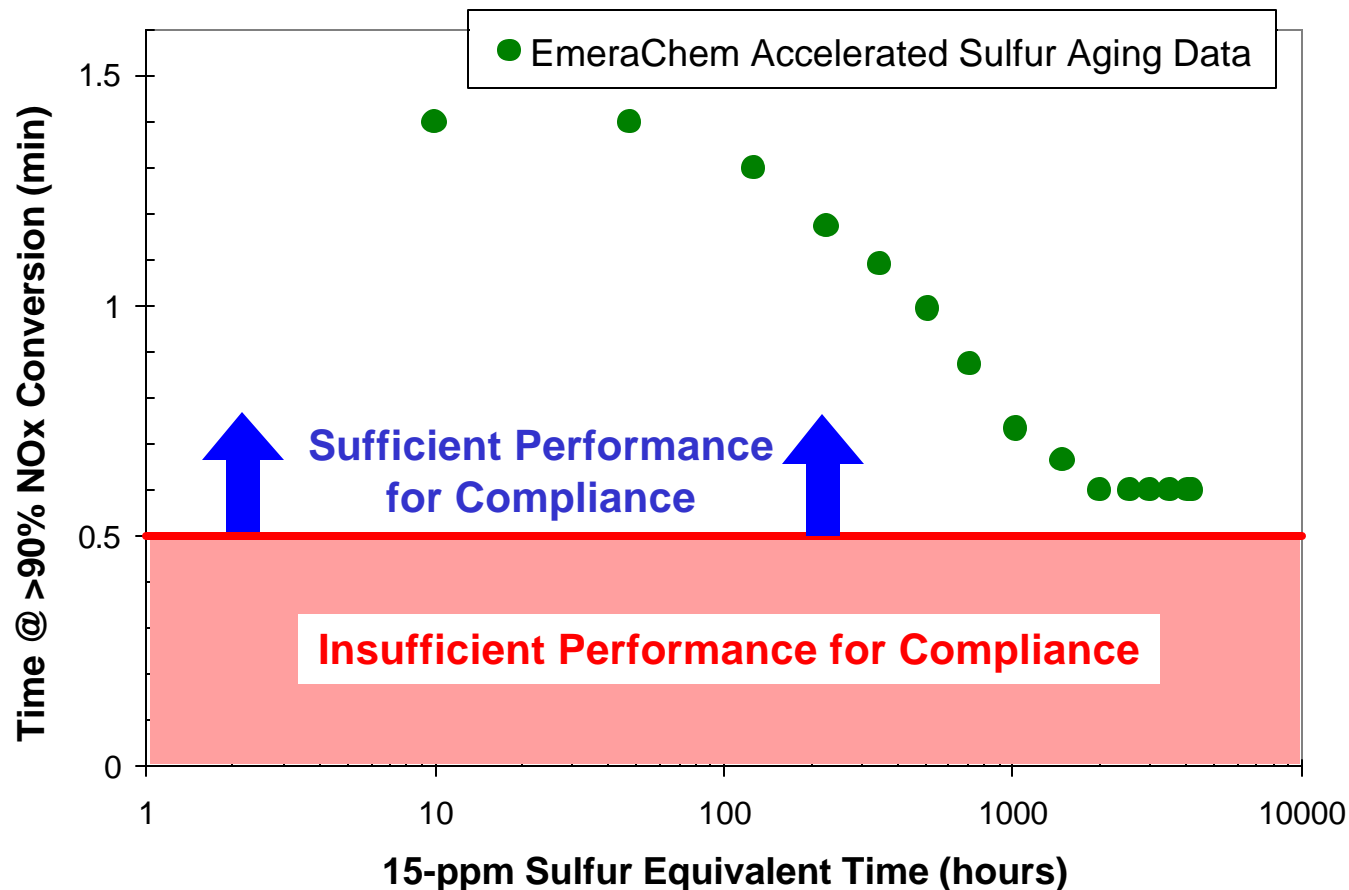
deSulfation in Diesel Exhaust Range

- Data from **6.9 g/bhp-hr NO_x Engine** with **NO_x Absorber Only** in System
- Diesel Fuel Reductant Used for Regeneration During deSulfation



Aging on Engine with 150-ppm S Fuel (DECSE)

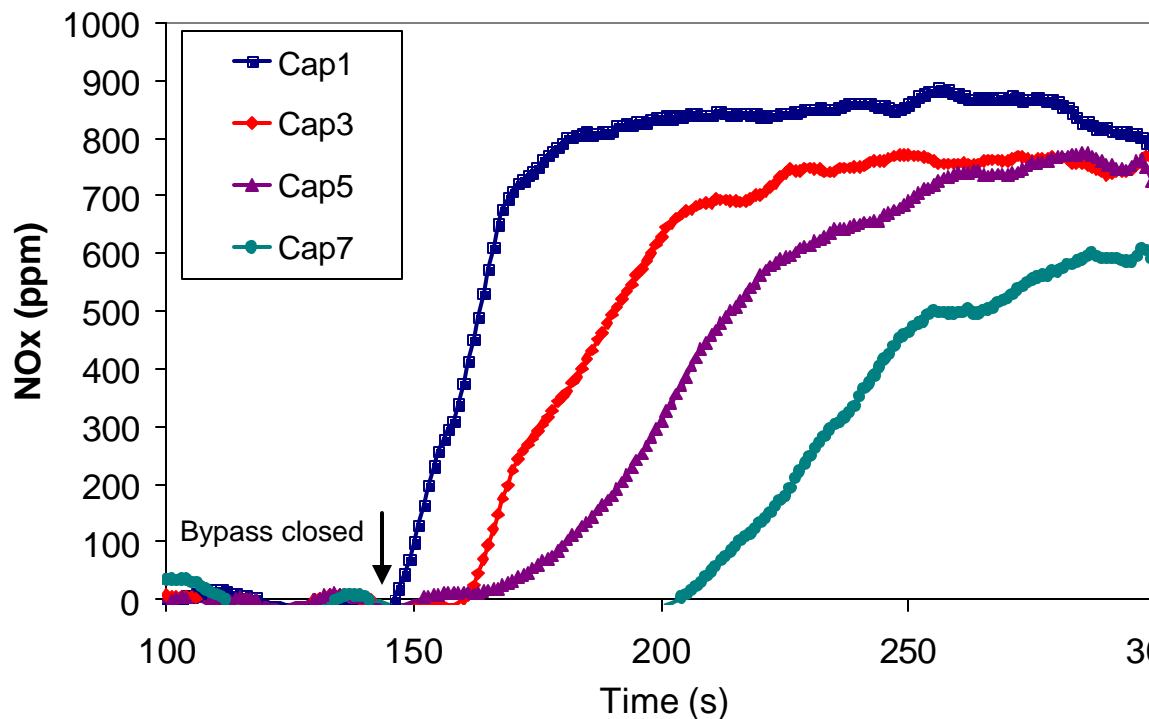
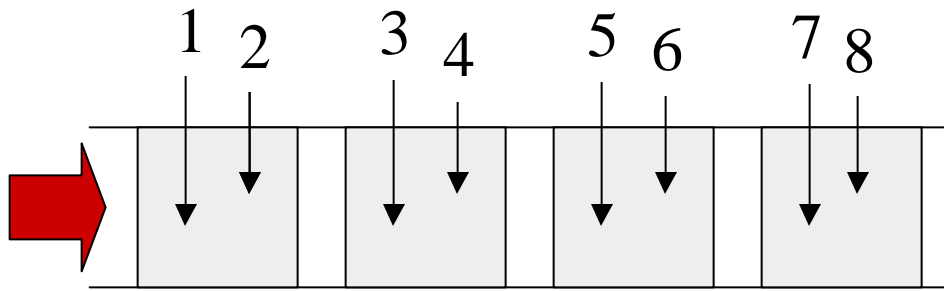
- **Ability to Obtain >90% NO_x Reduction Efficiency Maintained**
- Performance Stabilizes After Initial Thermal Degradation Stabilizes



Path to NOx Absorber Product

- While Progress Has Been Made in Sulfur Tolerance for the NOx Absorber Catalyst...
- Development of a NOx Absorber Catalyst Product Will Require:
 - More Understanding of Fundamental Catalyst Mechanisms
 - Characterization of ALL Aging Mechanisms
- US DOE Labs Offer Unique Capabilities to Assist in Development Path

SpaciMS Exhaust Analysis with NTRC



- Exhaust Sampled by 8 Capillaries Distributed Along Flow Axis

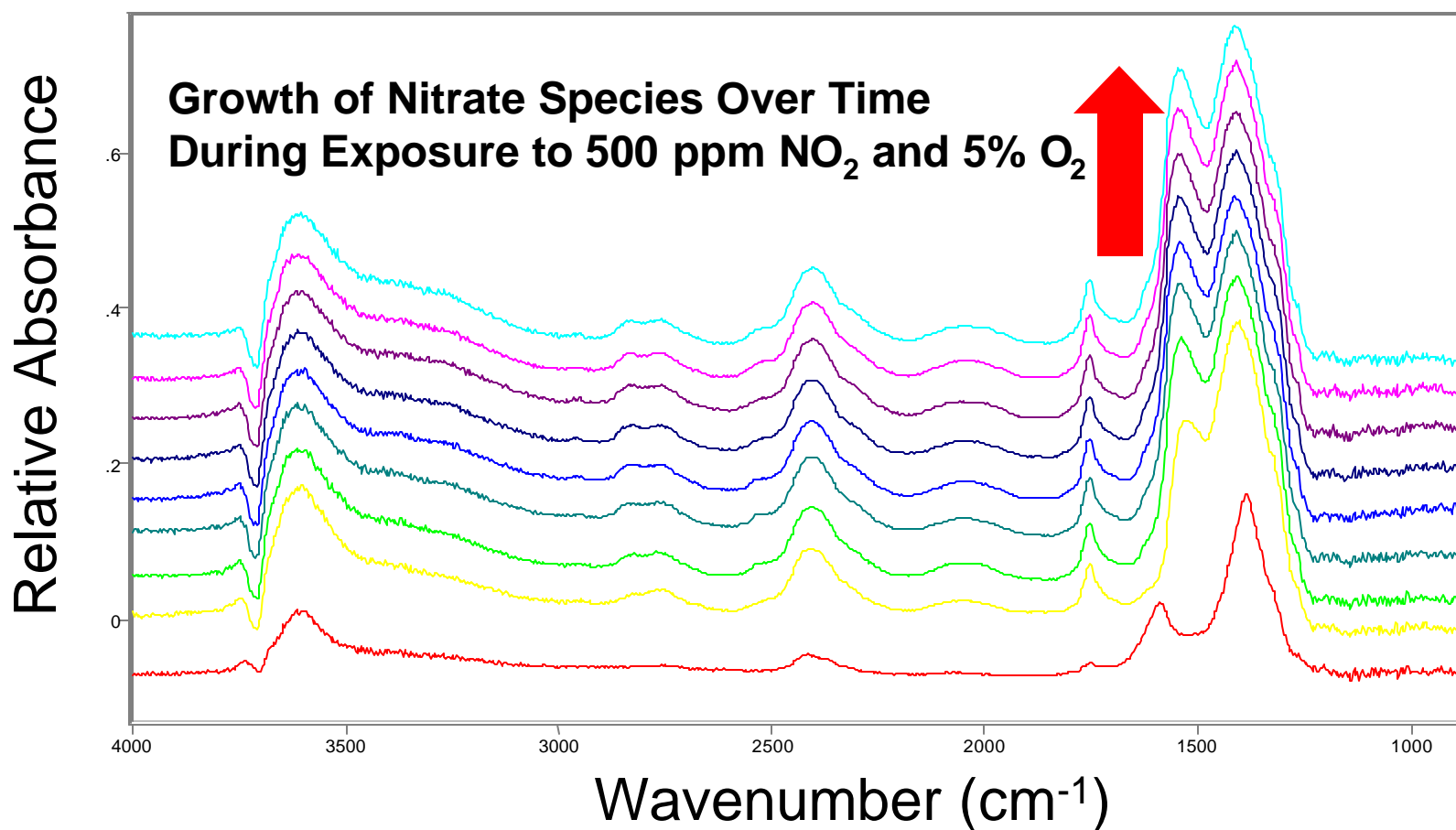
- Front third of first catalyst saturates within ca. 20 sec.

- Last catalyst is not used in initial 60 sec.

- Profiles can be used to verify and develop capacity-loading models

DRIFT - Surface Chemistry with NTRC

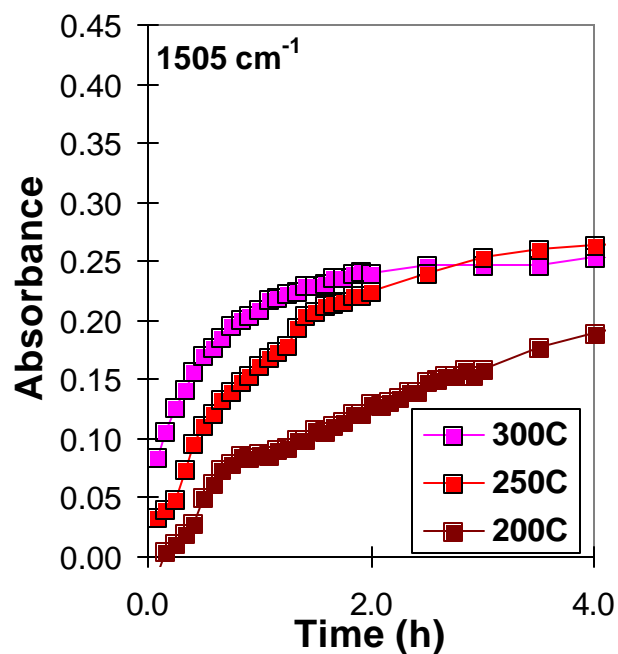
- DRIFT Detects Unique Solid State NO_x Absorber Surface Chemistry
- Technique Targeted for Characterization of Nitrate/Carbonate/Sulfates



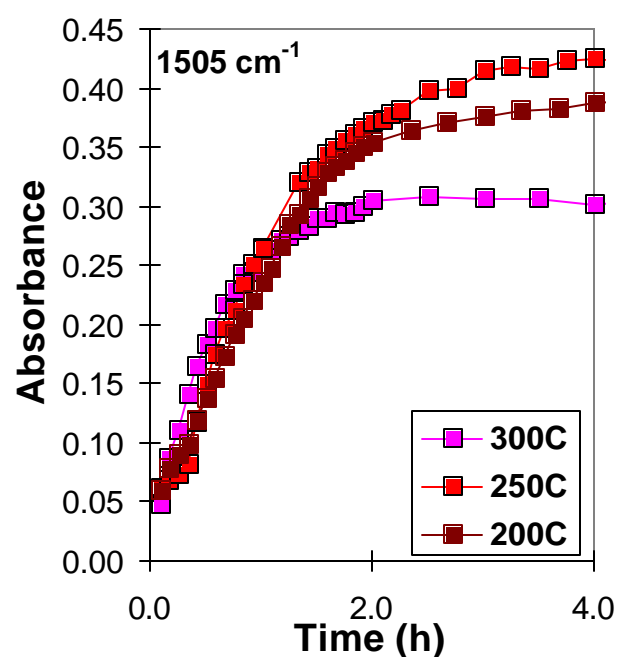
Interesting Differences Observed by DRIFT

- Differences Observed in Surface Chemistry for NO vs. NO₂ Exposure
- More Data Needed to Fully Understand NO_x Absorber Mechanism
- Fundamentals Will Be Useful in Optimizing Catalyst Performance and Cost

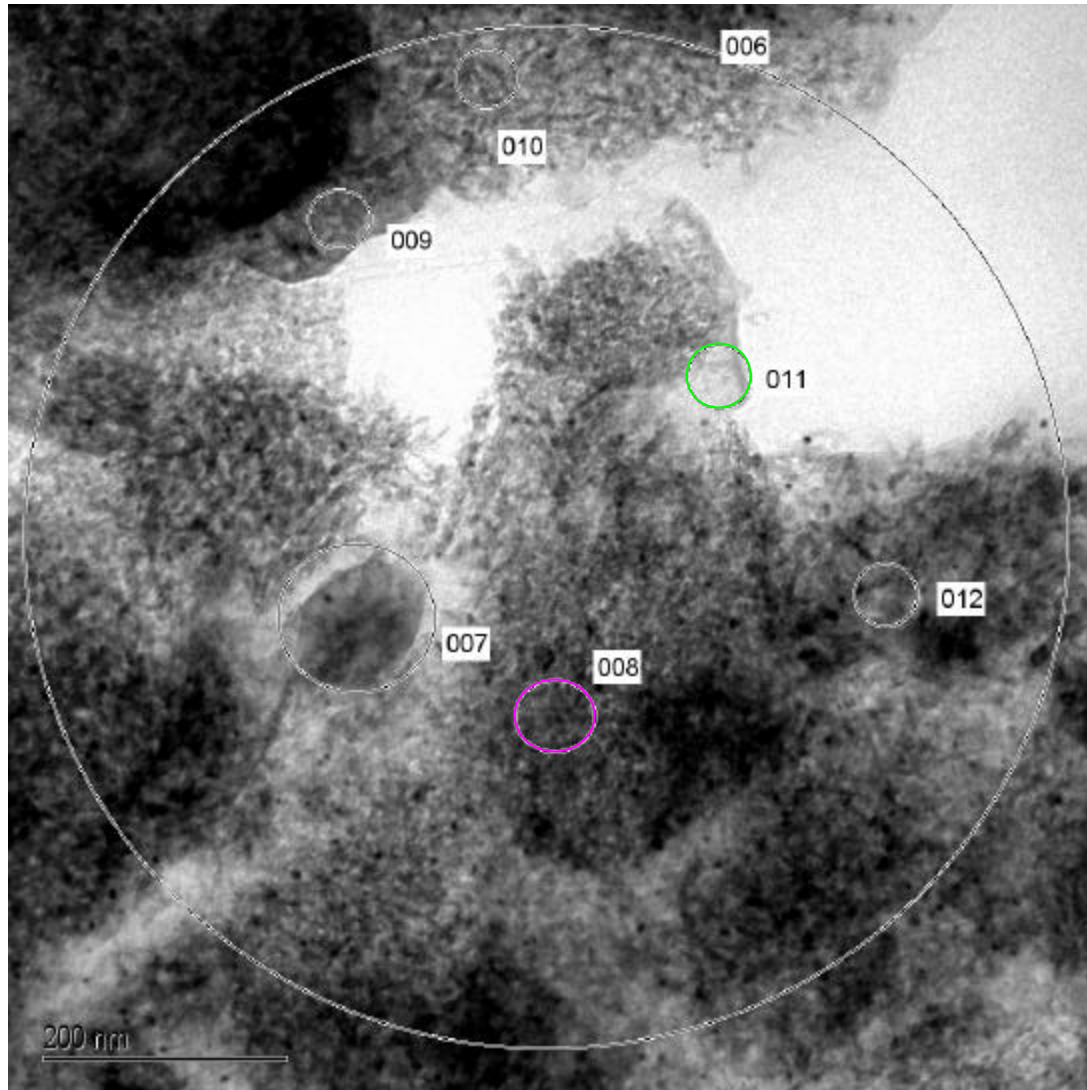
500 ppm NO + 5% O₂



500 ppm NO₂ + 5% O₂



Catalyst Morphology Characterization with HTML



- **TEM Image of K-based NO_x Absorber Catalyst**
 - Catalyst Was Not Aged
 - Precious Metals Finely Dispersed Over Washcoat
 - Majority of K Sorbate Finely Dispersed
 - Some Amorphous K Deposits Occur at Interfaces
 - Future Studies Will Characterize Aged Catalysts

K Concentration via X-Ray Analysis (a.u.):

Position 011: 560

Position 008: 120

Noise Level: 10

Summary

- NOx Absorber Technology Obtains High NOx Reduction Efficiencies
- Control of Sulfur Effects Demonstrated in Accelerated Aging Studies
- A Greater Understanding of Catalyst Fundamentals Will Lead to an Advanced Cost-Effective Product